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WASHINGTON, D. C., MARCH 19, 1881.

Population of the National Capital....180,000.

WELL, YES! Upon the whole, we think an extra session of Congress should be called.

People cannot be too careful at this season of the year. The spring fever is about.

It is the consensus of the South are correct the returns of 1870 must have been taken blind-folded. But there was General Walker?

CARVER retains the championship. America can shoot better than England, if it cannot walk as well, and the eye is a superior organ to the foot, any way.

THE brokers of New York take each other's bare word for millions. Let us see if the Democratic Senators are ready to break their pledged honor for nothing.

It is reported that General Grant is to resign the presidency of the New York World's Fair. He would be right. He cannot afford to be chief mourner at his funeral. Let the New Yorkers bury their own failures.

DREXEL many years past Easter services at St. Peter's Church, in Rome, have, for various reasons, been omitted. But this year the Pope will take part in the religious exercises of the occasion, and as a consequence foreign sight-seers are journeying toward the Eternal City.

THE evening Democratic organ is good enough to point out a way by which the Senate minority may filibuster against the selection of officers. It is predicated upon the assumption of their willingness to violate the first principles of a mutual agreement. And what will it amount to. It may force Senator Edmunds to come back to the risk of his life and health. This will be a great Democratic gain.

It is not used to give a new Senator the chairmanship of a committee. It therefore, Senator Mahone is put at the head of an important committee by his new allies or confederates, we shall be able to make a fair estimate of the value of his late convictions.—Washington Post.

There are twenty-eight standing committees of the Senate and four standing joint committees. Four of these go to the opposition. There are but twenty-two Republican Senators who are not new Senators. Therefore new Senators must have six chairmanships. This would not be so if the "constitutional majority" was larger.

A FRIEND informs us that Louisiana is represented in the United States Senate by two carpet-baggers—Kellogg and Jones. Both are from Illinois. The father of Jones was a sound Republican, and held the office of postmaster at Quincy, in that State, under President Lincoln. Kellogg lived in Canton, seventy-five miles from Quincy. Both moved to Louisiana. One is a carpet-bagger; the other is a Democrat.

Dyspepsia.

Some of our citizens are afflicted with it, and those who have it certainly do not want it. But how to get rid of it? There are some remedies offered in the market, not a few—the next man you meet will give you a sure cure—but they don't cure. Why? Simply because the cure lies with the individual sufferer, and he cannot transfer the responsibility to a bottle of medicine. This is what he tries to do. He asks the bottle to work a miracle upon him. In the meantime he will be a spectator. The bottle cannot do it. Result: Humbug. Further appeal to friends; more bottle; more humbug, and so on. Finally he goes to a doctor. Doctor says: "You must take more exercise." Patient says he is a letter-carrier. Amaze him of doctor. Explosion of exercise theory. What then? Ten thousand devils are at work in the inner man, experimenting with his liver, his heart, his mind, torturing him. It all tells him that his stomach is overworked; that it calls for rest and a return to primitive simplicity in living. Let him interview it; ask what abused it. Study carefully what will agree with it. Persevere and wait for results. It was a long time coming by a bad road. It must go back by the same way and start over. It will not reach the starting-point to-morrow. It may take a year to get back. Then start and keep right.

Our Diplomatic and Consular Service.

It is safe to say that few Americans who travel abroad are satisfied with the manner in which the United States is represented in foreign countries.

As a general thing American Ministers and Consuls are ignorant of the language of the country to which they are accredited, unacquainted with its history and traditions, and foreign to its business rules and social customs.

As a result our representatives abroad are not in rapport with the people with whom they dwell; they are isolated; amid the currents of business and politics they are almost deaf and dumb. However able they may have been at home they are comparatively powerless abroad from the lack of the necessary tools to do their work with. Understanding no language but English, their months and their ears are almost hermetically sealed. And thus armed and equipped they go up and down in the land and among a people whom they ought to be able to influence for the good of our Republic and its citizens.

But the fault has been largely with our own political leaders at home. Foreign missions and consulates have been looked upon as sinecures, as comfortable asylums for unsuccessful or decayed politicians, and so have been paroled out by our political chieftains among their followers with little regard for fitness or adaptability, or anything else except the adequate rewarding of personal political services.

It goes without saying that this is all wrong, and should be reformed altogether. Civil-service reform has no greater opportunity than in the selection of our foreign representatives.

The first and great prerequisite—the sine qua non of fitness in an Ambassador or consul—is that he should have a thorough and intimate acquaintance either with the language of the country in which he is to represent us and our interests, or in the language of diplomacy—the French. We do not mean a school-boy smattering of the tongue, but the power to use it effectively in conversation and writing on affairs of business and affairs of state.

With this indispensable power our representatives can bring into active use their knowledge of the history, traditions, business, and varied commercial needs and capacities of foreign countries, and can vigorously aid in stimulating trade and all commercial relations between those countries and our own.

The exports of the United States have already reached colossal proportions, but they are yet capable of indefinite expansion.

The great foreign demand for our grain, pork, beef, cotton, and petroleum may be readily increased. Rumors to the discredit of our goods, like the false report of the hog cholera, must be promptly refuted. The market for American manufactures may be made almost world-wide. The myriad products of the inventive genius of our land, those thousand little articles of daily need and use, will be eagerly sought for abroad as rapidly as their comfort and utility are made known, and the products of American skill and ingenuity may be distributed to the ends of the earth.

It is with pleasure that we here give utterance to a widespread belief, which we make no doubt will be justified by the fact, that the administration of President Garfield will render itself illustrious by a broad, comprehensive and well-digested plan to develop and extend the commerce of the United States, to largely increase the volume of our exports, and to send American goods under the American flag to even the most remote nations.

In this grand and worthy endeavor the administration is fortunate in having as Secretary of State a gifted gentleman, who has been this subject a special study for years.

But the first step to be taken for this grand end, we submit, is a thorough re-modeling of our diplomatic and consular corps, and a replacement where necessary of the old and unfitted representatives by new men, who shall unite an adequate knowledge of the languages with a special fitness for their work, and thus be able to carry forward to fruition the liberal plans of the President and the Secretary for a great and advantageous extension of our commercial relations.

In this connection we note with pleasure the appointment of Hon. Levi P. Morton as Minister to France. Mr. Morton is an apt and thorough French scholar, and a gentleman of large and varied business and political experience. His appointment will unquestionably be received as a compliment by the country to which he is accredited, and will redound to the advantage and influence of our own land.

We hope and believe that the wisdom which dictated this appointment will be exercised in the selection of all our foreign representatives, and that the administration now starting out amid so many happy auguries will thus take the first and greatest step toward the revival of American commerce.

An Extra Session of Congress.

The absorbing question of the hour is, "Will there be an extra session of Congress?" The reply is, "Perhaps so, and perhaps not," according to the respective views of those who respond. There are reasons for and against an assembling of Congress in extra session, and which are to control and direct the executive mind on this question the future must reveal. All precedent shows that the calling of an extra session of Congress is full of peril to the party in power which assumes the responsibility of such a call. The considerations, therefore, which induce an assembling of Congress, except under the dictates of ordinary rule and law and at the period named in the Constitution, should be grounded in an absolute necessity relating to the public interest.

The First Colored Baptist Church of Richmond, Va.

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SPORTING SQUIDS.

Farrell is suggested as the captain of the Providence crew.

The yacht *Gwendolyn* has been repurchased by Boston parties.

The Cornell crew are having a new four-oared paper shell made in which to row in the Henley regatta next summer.

George Wright's engagement with the Bostonians is said to be merely a snafu affair, and he will not travel with the Reds when they go West.

The announcement comes from Detroit that the new club makes a reasonably fair record this season it will not be supported another year.

Ferguson will have full control of the Troy Club this season, while Welch and Keefe will alternate as pitchers, and Halbert and Ewing as catchers.

Paisey Sheppard and Arthur Chambers will have a set with the gloves in the Music Hall, Boston, on Monday night, on the occasion of the former's benefit.

The Harvard University crew will be Hobbs, '81; Bowler, '82; Cabot, '83; Sawyer, '83; Bellows, '83; Hammond, '83; Chaffin, '83; and Curtis, '83 (stroke).

W. J. Hudson won the Sheffield Racing Company's great all England Shoreville handicap, 25 yards, at the Newhall grounds. This is the third handicap secured by Hudson.

E. L. Williams, the Lowell (Mass.) sculler and boat-builder, has applied for a patent for a system of diagonal bracing from gunwale to gunwale of boat, and from rig-pole to keel. It is claimed that this improvement imparts 300 per cent. additional strength, while reducing the weight very materially.

In a recent match Miles Johnson and E. H. Madison shot at fifty birds each, find, trap and handle for each other, twenty-eight yards, in a match at the Newhall grounds.

A foot-race was recently run on the Moss Side Grounds, near Pittsburgh, Pa., between James Carlin, of Sheffield, Eng., and George H. Smith, of Pittsburgh, for a purse of \$500; distance, 125 yards. The track was very heavy, and after the race Carlin was sent on those grounds, Smith won by eighteen inches. Betting was five to four on Smith.

A Story about Kirkwood.

There is a picturesque story told concerning Secretary Kirkwood and a person of high civil rank in Washington upon whom he once called.

The laws of Texas forbid intermarriage between whites and blacks. A white man married a quadroon, and sang it so sweetly and so clearly that the inmates were calmed. A Chicago man recently visited the Cook County Insane Asylum, and while there sang a song. Several of the inmates were so touched that they tried to escape.—Chicago Tribune.

When Showman objected to Daubner making reference to Mrs. Showman, at Wabasha, Wis., Daubner replied: "What are you going to do about it? You haven't the pluck to do anything. See here, and bared his breast, you don't dare to shoot me with that pistol, you've got in your pocket." Showman drew the weapon and fired, killing his tormentor.

The State Law in Violation.

How do Red Lobsters Act?

Those journals coming that New York seemed about a frolicsome lobster that escaped from the market-basket, climbed a tree, fought against efforts at capture, and triumphantly swam away from all pursuit down a gutter and disappeared.

Card from Ex-Congressman Elliott.

Wanted--Help.

WANTED--IMMEDIATELY, TWENTY-FIVE white and colored cooks, chambermaids, and nurses; bring references. Licensed Agency, 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--AN ENERGETIC MAN TO CONDUCT THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA ADDRESS C. C. REPUBLICAN OFFICE.

WANTED--WHITE OR COLORED COOK OR woman to do house work, and iron for a small family; to one who understands her duties and is furnished in her personal appearance, and good wages; no children; no other duties. Apply before 12 o'clock, daily, at 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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WANTED--SITUATION BY A NEWSPAPER compositor in city or country. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--A LADY WOULD LIKE EMPLOYMENT in Reading aloud by the hour. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--COOKING BY A LADY, WHO IS a good penman; will be done reasonable; must be a native of New York City. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--BY AN ENERGETIC YOUNG MAN, connection with a real estate firm on commission or otherwise; experienced in all real estate work. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--TO LEARN A TRADE--A YOUNG man, aged 17, well recommended, steady, industrious. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--A YOUNG MAN, COMPETENT, capable, and thoroughly experienced, desires a place as a waiter in a saloon, hotel, restaurant, or boarding house; good references; terms reasonable. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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WANTED--SITUATION--BY A RESPECTABLE young colored man, in a private family, to wait on table or do other household work. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--SITUATION--BY A COLORED woman to cook or do chamber work; good references. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--BY A COMPETENT MIDDLE-aged woman, with good references, to do plain cooking, sewing on machine, care for an invalid, or keep house for a gentleman, with or without children. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--SITUATION TO DO ANY WORK, by a young German. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--A NINE-ROOM HOUSE IN THE northwestern part of the city, between Second and Third streets, with a good garden, and a good paying tenant. Address: M. D. H. Republican Office, 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--APRIL 1, NICE HOUSE, with few acres land, within 10 miles of city and few miles from the Potomac River. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--A HOUSE WITH SIX OR seven rooms, modern improvements, at not more than \$10,000. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--A MODERN EIGHT OR TEN room Dwelling, situated between Third and Fourth streets, with a good garden, and a good paying tenant. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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WANTED--TWO COMMUNICATING ROOMS, with a good garden, and a good paying tenant. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--APRIL 1, BY GENTLEMAN AND wife, one good sized house, furnished, without back, with a good garden, and a good paying tenant. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--BY AN ELDERLY LADY, AN unfurnished house in some respectable family; to be near the city, and a good paying tenant. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WANTED--TWO SMALL CONNECTING ROOMS, with a good garden, and a good paying tenant. Address: 1206 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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